

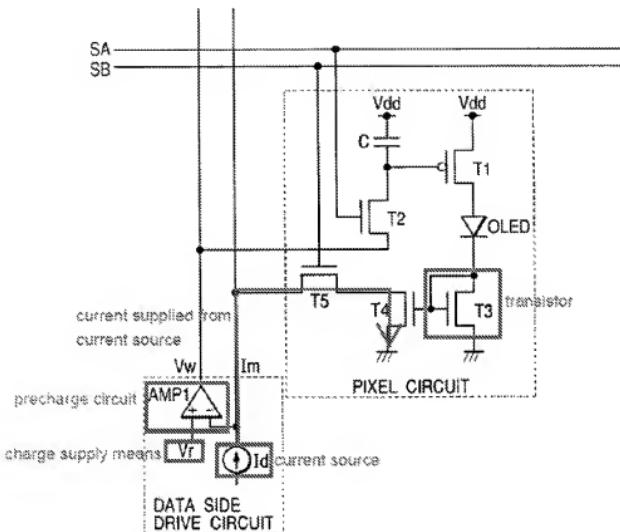
REMARKS

Claims 1-18, 20-24 and 26-36 are pending in this application, with claims 1, 6, 12, 18, 24 and 31 being independent. Claims 1, 6, 12, 18, 24 and 31 have been amended. Specifically, each of claims 1, 6, 12, 18, 24 and 31 has been amended to recite that a current supplied from the current source flows into the transistor. Support for the amendment can be found in the application at least at Fig. 1 and its accompanying text. No new matter has been introduced.

The pending claims have been rejected as being anticipated by Oomura (U.S. Patent No. 6,693,388). As stated above, each of independent claims 1, 6, 12, 18, 24 and 31 has been amended to recite that a current supplied from the current source flows into the transistor. Applicants request reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of the pending claims because Oomura does not describe or suggest at least this feature.

Oomura describes an active matrix display that includes an n-type thin film transistor T3 (which the Office Action alleges corresponds to the recited transistor) and a reference current source Id (which the Office Action alleges corresponds to the recited current source). Oomura, however, does not describe or suggest that a current supplied from the current source Id flows into the transistor T3. Rather, the current supplied from the current source Id instead flows to ground through transistors T5 and T4. For clarity, applicants provide the following marked-up version of Fig. 1 of Oomura, which clearly shows this flow of current from the current source ID within the pixel circuit of Oomura to ground.

FIG. 1



As shown in the marked-up version of Fig. 1 of Oomura above, the current supplied from the current source I_d does NOT flow into the transistor T_3 .

For at least this reason, applicants request reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of the pending claims.

Applicants submit that all claims are in condition for allowance.

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